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MEMORANDUM

To: Senate Standing Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance

From: Eileen Ma, Assistant Revisor of Statutes

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Subject: Bill Brief for SB 34

HB 2056 amends K.S.A. 40-2209e, pertaining to the applicability of K.S.A. 40-2209b through 40-2209j and 40-2209m through 40-2209o to certain individual and group plans. These statutes pertain specifically to small employer health plans. The amendment made in lines 23 and 24 strikes the requirement that a health carrier that issues a group policy to an association of small employers be subject to the requirements of small employer health plans since they would be considered association health plans under the new rule.

The bill would be effective upon April 1, 2019 and publication in the Kansas register, because the application date of the new rule to new self-insured association health plans is April 1.